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TITLE OF INVENTION: REMOTE INTERFACE FOR A NETWORK DEVICE IN THE PHYSICAL PLANT

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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1. This communication is responsive to the RCE filed on June	<u>9 10, 2008</u> .		
2. \square The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-11</u> .			
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment/Arguments

1. This Office Action is in response to the RCE filed on June 10th, 2008. Claims 12-24 are now canceled. Claims 1-11 are now pending in the application.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, see REMARKS, pages 5-6, filed on April 29, 2008, with respect to the 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 rejections of claims 1-11, have been fully considered and are persuasive in light of applicant's argument/amendment. The previous final Office action has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-11 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Many references in the art disclose the wireless device for deploying in physical plant. Most of those references are comprising a wireless DSLAM with control management system to allocate/control resource, such as that found in Lemieux, Yves [U.S. 6,452,942], Voit et al. [U.S. 2002/0044567], Pience, Roger D. [U.S. 2002/0073434]. But no prior art reference discloses a network device that has a wireless control port to allow the technician to wirelessly access the

device and to perform diagnostic operations on the device in determining operational status of the device that had been deployed in the field.

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Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tri H. Phan, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3074. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:00-4:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi H. Pham can be reached on (571) 272-3179.

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/Tri H. Phan/ August 22, 2008